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Government Hospital, Kallakurichi.

* 380 *Q.*—Sri L. ANANDAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) the action taken so far towards the construction of the maternity ward in the Government Hospital, Kallakurichi ; and

(*b*) the reason why construction work has not yet been started ?

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) & (*b*) In July 1951, the Government approved an estimate amounting to Rs. 60,000 for the construction of a maternity block in the Government Hospital, Kallakurichi. The work could not be taken up during 1951–52 in view of the drastic reduction in the allotment for capital works as a measure of economy. As the provision for capital works for the current year also has been reduced as a measure of retrenchment, the work may not be started during this year. When funds become available the work will be proceeded with."

Sri A. GOVINDASWAMY NAYAGAR :—" ஸார், கள்ளக்குறிச்சி தாலூகா மலைப்பிரதேசமாக இருக்கும் காரணத்தாலும் அங்கே ரோடு வசதி இல்லாத காரணத்தாலும் அங்கே பிரசவத்திற்கு வரும் ஸ்திரீகள் வழியிலேயே பிரசவித்து விடுகிறார்கள் என்பது அரசாங்கத்திற்குத் தெரியுமா? அதை நிவர்த்தி செய்வது அரசாங்கத்தின் கடமை இல்லையா என்று கனம் மந்திரி அவர்களை நான் கேட்கிறேன்."

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY :—" A separate question may be put."

Sri K. VINAYAKAM :—" In view of the fact that the Kallakurichi area is a mountainous region and in view of the fact that pregnant women give birth to children on the way to the hospital, will the Government consider the desirability of pushing the scheme through as early as possible ? "

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY :—" As soon as funds become available, the scheme will be taken up."

New bus route from Eluru town to Gundugolaru in Eluru taluk.

* 381 *Q.*—Sri M. RAJESWARA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any representations from the M.L.As. and M.Ps. of West Godavari district for the opening of a bus route from Eluru town to Gundugolaru of Eluru taluk for a shuttle service in view of the heavy traffic between the two places ; and

(*b*) if so, whether any action has been taken in the matter?

The Hon. Dr. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" (*a*) The Government have received a representation signed by Sri Ch. S. R. V. P. Murthi Raju, M.L.A., and Sri M. Rajeswara Rao, M.L.A.

" (*b*) The matter is under examination in consultation with the Central Road Traffic Board."